

The Rancho Santa Fe Historical Society received national attention for its World War II Veterans Oral History Project. The Society has also published a book, *Rancho Santa Fe: A California Village*, which was just printed in its fifth edition. The book captures the distinctive beauty and an architectural quality of one of California's first planned communities through early and contemporary photographs.

In 1989 Rancho Santa Fe was designated a California State Historic Landmark. The Society provides educational tours and lectures to students of all ages, and graciously offers their archives to researchers. Also, via the Architectural Review Committee, the Society offers expertise and advice on the preservation of historic homes.

Mr. Speaker, I am delighted to share with you the contributions and accomplishments of the Rancho Santa Fe Historical Society. Their enthusiasm and earnest efforts over the past 20 years have contributed greatly to the community of Rancho Santa Fe.

HONORING DAVID D'ERAMO, Ph.D.

### HON. JOHN B. LARSON

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 14, 2004*

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor David D'Eramo, Ph.D. on the occasion of his retirement as President and Chief Executive Officer of St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center.

Not only has Dr. D'Eramo led St. Francis through a period of tremendous change during his sixteen year tenure, he has extended the reach of critical programs and services to our communities through the development of St. Francis Care.

His leadership has gone well beyond the walls of the hospital through his volunteer service and the chairmanship of key civic organizations, such as the MetroHartford Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Hartford Arts Council.

On a national level, Dr. D'Eramo has been deeply involved in the development of health policy through leadership and service with the American Hospital Association, the Catholic Health Association, and the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. D'Eramo for his many accomplishments and for his contributions to the health and well being of the citizens of Connecticut and beyond.

### ANNUAL DINNER OF ROFEH INTERNATIONAL AND THE NEW ENGLAND CHASSIDIC CENTER

### HON. BARNEY FRANK

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, for many years I've had the great privilege of sharing with my colleagues and the nation the description of those who are being honored by ROFEH International and the New England Chassidic Center. This year, the dinner for these two valuable institutions will be held on

November 14, and the awardees are Dr. Edwin H. Kolodny, and Mr. Daniel M. Wyner.

Dr. Kolodny will receive the "ROFEH International Distinguished Service Award," for his very charitable service, and the great distinction he has achieved in the fields of birth defects, genetic diseases of the nervous system, and mental retardation and developmental disabilities.

The "Man of the Year," Daniel Wyner, has performed outstanding service to the New England Chassidic Center and to the Greater Boston Jewish Community as a whole.

These two organizations, under the leadership of Grand Rabbi Levi Y. Horowitz, make extremely important contributions to the religious, cultural and social life of Greater Boston, and indeed have a relevant impact in the medical field. I am pleased to join in honoring Mr. Wyner and Dr. Kolodny, and I ask unanimous consent to include here biographies of both men as an example of the sort of valuable community service that we should be encouraging through appropriate recognition.

Dr. Edwin H. Kolodny is a renowned neurologist and geneticist. He is the Bernard A. and Charlotte Marden Professor of Neurology and Chairman of the Department of Neurology at the New York University School of Medicine and Director of its Division of Neurogenetics. He is a specialist in inherited metabolic and degenerative diseases of the nervous system and has made many contributions to the field of Jewish genetic diseases. He serves on many scientific advisory boards and has authored numerous articles in leading medical journals.

A native of Brookline, Massachusetts and graduate of the Boston Latin School, he received his A.B. from Harvard College (cum laude in Economics) and his M.D. from the NYU School of Medicine (with honors). Dr. Kolodny trained in Internal Medicine for 2 years at Bellevue Hospital in New York and completed his Neurology residency at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. After 3 additional years of training in Neurochemistry at the NIH in Bethesda, Maryland, he returned to Boston and the Harvard Medical School where he rose to Professor of Neurology and Director of the Eunice Kennedy Shriver Center for Mental Retardation.

Dr. Kolodny is the recipient of numerous awards and honors for his work as a clinician, researcher and teacher. These include the Alpha Omega Alpha Award of the NYU School of Medicine, the Above and Beyond Award of the National Tay-Sachs and Allied Diseases Association, and listing in "Best Doctors in the U.S." He has also served as a Visiting Professor at medical schools in Israel and elsewhere overseas.

Dr. Edwin Kolodny and his wife, Dr. Roselyn Kolodny, a pediatrician, have four children, Nancy Lieberman, Dr. Leonard Kolodny, Robin Leshem, and Noah Kolodny, two son-in-laws, Ralph and Erez, and two daughter-in-laws, Debby and Michelle, of whom they are equally proud, and fabulous grandchildren Naomi, Tamar, Benjamin, Daniel, and Sarah.

Dan Wyner is President of Shawmut Corporation, a fourth generation family business that manufactures innovative textile composites for the Automotive, Medical, Military and Industrial markets, with three plants in Massachusetts and Michigan. Dan has worked for Shawmut for over 23 years, working alongside his grandfather, father and most recently, one of his brothers.

In addition to his role at Shawmut, Dan is one of the founders of Omniflex LLC; a Western Massachusetts based technical film supplier, and currently serves as a director of Omniflex, which is a Shawmut Joint Venture. He is also one of the founders of PolyWorks LLC; a Rhode Island based low-pressure injection molding company and serves on its board of directors.

In addition to his business interest, Dan has worked to support a number of charitable organizations.

Over the past several years, Dan and his wife Lorna have been supporters of ROFEH International, helping in the development and renovation of ROFEH's residential facility for the benefit of families of Bone Marrow Transplant patients.

Dan presently serves on the board of trustees of the Rhode Island chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society as treasurer of that organization, and he and his wife Lorna are significant supporters of the Society, supporting both direct research projects, annual fundraising events, and recruiting for and participating in this year's Team in Training Cyclefest 100-mile bike ride.

Dan is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the Alperin Schechter Day School in Providence, RI where their daughter Madelyn is a fourth grade student. Dan is also a member of the Board of Overseers at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center.

Dan and his wife support a number of other charitable causes, including the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, University of Washington Medical Center, Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital and the American Jewish Historical Society.

Dan is a graduate of Dartmouth College where he majored in Philosophy. He, together with his wife and daughter, live on a small horse farm in Rhode Island. In his spare time Dan plays tennis, pilots ultra-light aircraft and does some wheel-thrown pottery.

### DON ARTH, LEADER IN MISSOURI AGRICULTURE

### HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 14, 2004*

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, it has come to my attention that Don Arth of Malta Bend, Missouri, will soon retire from the Missouri Corn Merchandising Council and the Missouri Corn Growers Association Board. Let me take this means to pay tribute to this outstanding American who has contributed much to Missouri agriculture, especially the corn growers of our State.

Don Arth graduated from Corder High School in 1957 and worked for several years at Mason Chevrolet in Lexington, Missouri, and at Ford Motor Company in Claycomo, Missouri. With his brother Bob Arth and Uncles Lewis, John, and Frank Arth, he began farming in 1962 in the Missouri River bottoms of Waverly and Grand Pass, Missouri, an area known as White's Island. Don continues to farm these fields today with his youngest brother, Michael Arth of Grand Pass, Missouri.

Throughout his career in agriculture, Don has exhibited tremendous leadership in the corn producer community. He has served as a